JIM CONLEY FACES TRIAL ON TUESDAY

Negro Charged With Being Accessory After Fact in Murder

of Mary Phagan

Jim Conley, the negro sweeper at the National Pencil factory, principal witness against Leo M. Frank, who is under sentence of death for the murder of Mary Phagan on April 26, will be put on trial Tuesday before Judge B. H. Hill, of the criminal division of the Fulton county superior court.

Conley is under two indictments, both charging him with being an accessory after the fact in the murder of the Phagan girl. These indictments are based upon his own admission that he assisted Frank in taking the girl's body to the factory basement and that he wrote the notes found by the body.

One of the indictments against Conley was brought on a section of the criminal code which fixes the offense with which he is charged as a felony, the punishment being five years. The other indictment is based upon another section of the code which classifies the crime of an accessory after the fact in a murder case as a misdemeanor, the maximum penalty for which is one year.

Conley will plead guilty when he is arraigned in court.